## Sister Cities Association of Salisbury and Wicomico County Room 4 at Paul S. Sarbanes Branch of Wicomico Library October 1, 2024 at 4:00pm.

#### Minutes

Present: John Hickman, chair; Gerry Wood, vice chair; George Whitehead

### 1. Approve Minutes.

- a. Minutes for the September meeting were approved.
- b. Mary will send a correction to the June minutes for them to be approved.
- c. A tribute to Marion Keenan is near completion and will soon be on the website and will be featured in a newsletter item that our intern, Ella, is preparing.

#### 2. Intern:

- a. Ella Messick
- b. Working on a newsletter which will feature Marion's tribute, and an interview with Simon Maher from Salisbury, England who has visited here several times. The plan is to have it ready to distribute at the November Third Friday celebration downtown and to distribute to the Sister Cities.
- c. Ella is preparing a luggage tag for children to color. These are handouts for the Third Friday celebrations.

# 3. Treasurer's report.

- a. No changes in account.
- b. The dues are in the City Budget and will be paid by them. They are approximately \$500. John will check on this and confirm the due date.

# 4. Md Estonian Exchange Updates

a. George attended a MEEC meeting on August 27. He was surprised to learn that these dues were also being paid by the City of Salisbury.

### 5. ESTONIAN REBECCA KONTUS TRIO November 13

Featuring Violinist Kusti Lemba & Bassist Robert Nõmmann Wednesday, November 13 • 7 p.m. Holloway Hall, Great Hall Kontus is a composer and singer who is difficult to classify in terms of genre.

https://hub.salisbury.edu/sutoday/2024/09/28/estonian-rebecca-kontus-trio/ Tickets https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?show=249562

John will check with Maarten Pereboom, dean of Fulton School about greeting the Trio

- 6. Reports and updates:
  - a. Dalian, China:
  - b. Tartu, Estonia
  - c. Salinas, Ecuador
  - d. Salisbury, England

A commemorative tree was planted in Twilley Center for the 1982 visit of the mayor of Salisbury, England. The bronze market and tree are still there near the entrance by Mt. Hermon Road.

### 7. Other business:

a. Marion Keenan Memorial

Next meeting: In conjunction with the Trio concert on November 13

8. Adjounment: 4:35pm

Respectfully submitted by Gerry Wood